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1. On 19 August 1952, a troop train consisting of 114 axles, carrying 75-mm AA guns, and a coach with officers left Ruegen Island (N 55/P 76) toward Rostock (M 55/O 81). On 21 August, a train carrying AA guns, 57-mm AT guns and 120-mm mortars and including boxcars with personnel went from the direction of Altsaehr north of Stralsund (N 55/P 11) toward Bergen. the canvas-covered AA guns had small calibers. On 25 August, a train carrying 18 x 37-mm AA guns and an undetermined number of trucks left Bergen toward Stralsund.

2. During the period from 6 to 23 August, a detail consisting of a senior lieutenant and 35 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were seen on Hiddensee Island west of Ruegen Island. The detail was quartered in Neuendorf. The detail furnished one sentry for a watch tower and two sentries who patrolled the shore at night. The watch tower, which was 25 meters high, was built in July.

3. At 8:30 a.m. on 21 July, 25 trucks passed through Bergen toward Prora. Between 8 and 10 soldiers or Volkspolizei personnel were on each truck. Ten trucks hauled ammunition from the Bergen railroad station on 25 July. They went toward Prora. In mid-July, large columns of heavy vehicles, repeatedly, left the Bergen railroad station at night toward Prora.

4. In late July, Major (Adm) Svinar (fnu) served as supply officer for the entire Ruegen Island including the komendatura in Bergen and had his office in Prora. Major Zuholinov, (fnu), who had come with the first troops from Jueterbog (N 52/E 69), was supply officer of a unit in the area of Prora. He received 3 tons of potatoes daily. Captain Kosmin (fnu) also served as supply officer. was located on Ruegen Island.

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[redacted] Comment. The arrivals and departures of AAA units tend to indicate that AAA units conducted firing with live ammunition on Huegen Island as in Austrow. It is possible, however, that, these firing practices are coupled with exercises of other branches of service which is not done in Austrow. [redacted]

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[redacted] the train on 25 August belongs to the IV Arty Corps.

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*** [redacted] Comment. [redacted] the gun column belongs to the 4th AF Arty Brig (US). The supply vehicles belong to the Third Air Force Army and rear services of the 30th and truck [redacted]

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